

Miscellaneous Editorial Paragraphs

Only a saved man truly believes that God loves him.

It is not likely that one who never weeps ever laughs either.

God so loved the world that he gave. What is your love worth?

To the Christian there is always something better yet to come.

All the sweetness of earth's pleasures and of human love is but an empty cup if we have not taken Christ in our lives.

If there was as much idleness in business as there is in religion, there would be such a famine as you never read about.

And now Japan is to lead all other nations in the establishment of a Christian daily newspaper. It will be published in Tokio.

A man's zeal against the adversaries of the kingdom of God and for the enlargement of the kingdom are in exact proportion to his love for Christ.

"There is something in this cigar that makes me sick," said a pale little boy to his sister. "I know what it is," responded the little girl: "it's tobacker!"

"How can I make my religion attractive to sinners?" You will probably not succeed in making *your* religion attractive to anybody. Try a different brand.

Christ may seem most precious in the hour of trouble, but we should learn the lesson that he is our friend for the time of joy and gladness as well as for our sorrow-hours.

The "new birth" is a great mystery, but a mystery with which we have nothing to do. Man's duty is to accept Christ; it is God's part to change the heart and make us his children.

The man who with pride points to himself and says, "I am a self made man," would do well to remember the boy who proudly said, "I made this toy out of my own head and had wood enough left for another."

The city of Chicago is facing the possibility of having to reduce the salaries of its school teachers. We wonder whether the salaries of the corrupt politicians whose extravagance compels such false economy are being reduced also?

The man who is born of God loves holiness, the Bible, prayer, the services of the church and everything sacred and pure; but he hates sin and everything impure. Look in upon your own soul, brother, and judge yourself by this standard.

A brother in prayer meeting prayed for the absent "who were prostrated on beds of sickness and sofas of wellness." Of the latter no doubt there were more than of the former, and they are more difficult to reach either thru prayer or any other way.

A skeptical hearer once said to a Baptist minister, "How do you reconcile the teachings of the Bible with the latest conclusions of science?" "I haven't seen the morning's

papers," naively replied the minister. "What are the latest conclusions of modern science?"

When Dr. Edward H. Robbins, of Boston, Mass., died, a stranger, seeing how many mourned for him, asked, "Did Dr. Robbins found a benevolent institution?" "No," replied a citizen. "He was a benevolent institution." That is what every Christian may be and ought to be.

Six years ago a man in Clyde, N. Y., became addicted to the cigarette. The habit grew on him so rapidly that on February 18, 1902, he died as a result of cigarette smoking. The fact that the man was 38 years old shows that the habit is not confined to boys alone. And yet in the face of it all, young men smoke cigarettes as if they were a harmless thing.

The Reformed Messenger gives expression to its optimistic feelings and sentiment in these words: All over the church there is at this season a quiet, but serious revival of religion. It is not a revival of feeling, not of emotionalism, but of godly living. It is not produced by frantic appeals or rag time, sentimental music; it is not furthered by expert manipulators of meetings; it is based upon true gospel preaching, quiet teaching by spiritually-minded men and by reverend congregations uniting in the solemn worship of our Father in Heaven, who in his infinite love sent his Son that we might thru him become reconciled and receive the forgiveness of our sins, and the gift of everlasting life.

The following from an exchange contains a truth which may prove helpful to ministers: It is an error for ministers to beat down prices; to use their office for advantages they would neither receive nor give as men; to be too eager for a good bargain. An amusing story is told of a minister who visited a country parishioner, who was the owner of three fine geese. Before leaving he said, "I wish I had such a goose." "You can have one," said the farmer. After thanking him, the pastor studied awhile and said, "How lonely that goose will be in the parsonage lot." The farmer laughed and gave him another. Then after warmly thanking him, again he studied, and said, "How lonely your goose will be since I have taken the other two." He got the three geese—and the three geese are his epitaph to this day.

A New York policeman has discovered a new use for the newspaper. A chauffeur got his automobile caught in upper Broadway in a snow bank and was exerting every power imaginable, fruitlessly, when a policeman happened along. When he saw the chauffeur's predicament he went into a store, got two newspapers, placed one against either front wheel and told the driver to go ahead. He pulled the lever and the machine went out of the snow as smoothly as if it was on asphalt. "It never fails," the policeman simply remarked in answer to the chauffeur's warm expression of thanks. Now, that is just what the church paper will do if introduced into every home in the congregation. It will set in motion latent powers, waken the sleepy church member, help the church out of the drift of indifference and set the wheels of progress rolling. No better work can be done by the busiest pastor than to put a good, reliable, wide-awake church paper in every home. It will help many a one over hard places.